



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 287

LCO No. 1860

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Referred to Committee on Transportation

Introduced by:
(TRA)

AN ACT CONCERNING NOISE BARRIERS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) (a) The Department of
2 Transportation shall establish a retrofit noise abatement program
3 project priority ranking list for each United States congressional
4 district in the state. Such lists shall be based on the projects currently
5 listed on the department's project priority ranking list.

6 (b) In establishing project priority ranking lists for each
7 congressional district, the department shall consider (1) the proposed
8 project's proximity to residential areas, and (2) the results of any
9 decibel level tests performed at such project's location.

10 Sec. 2. Subsection (a) of section 13b-79p of the 2008 supplement to
11 the general statutes is amended by adding subdivision (22) as follows
12 (*Effective from passage*):

13 (NEW) (22) Funding noise barrier projects on the Department of
14 Transportation's congressional district project priority ranking lists,
15 not to exceed ten million dollars. Such funds shall be distributed on a

16 pro rata basis to each congressional district, based on the number of
17 projects in each such district, provided no district shall receive less
18 than five hundred thousand dollars.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 2	<i>from passage</i>	13b-79p(a)

Statement of Purpose:

To establish a noise barrier project priority list for each congressional district in Connecticut and to fund such projects from the proceeds of the issuance of bonds authorized for strategic transportation projects and initiatives.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]